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## Churches Will Aid Hindu Refugees

(Atlantic City, N.J.) - A five-year programme designed to rehabilitate Hindu refugees in West Bengal, India, was initiated by Church World Service at its annual meeting last week in Atlantic City, N.J.

Project "Doya" (which means "mercy" in Bengali) will include vocational training, educational, medical, and welfare units. The American churches represented in CWS, relief and rehabilitation agency of the National Council of Churches, may be asked for "as much as a million dollars" for the undertaking.

The Board of Managers authorized an expenditure of \$300,000 in 1960, after hearing a report from Dean Herbert Stroup of Brooklyn College, N.Y. He headed a team of experts who conducted a five-week study in Calcutta.

Dr. Norris Wilson, director of CWS, called the plan for assistance to Calcutta refugees "probably the largest single project of any voluntary agency" to be undertaken during World Refugee Year". Earlier Calcutta refugees were listed by CWS as one of the top priorities for assistance during the Year.

The group voted to appoint a special committee to get the West Bengal project underway and directed it to consult with the World Council of Churches, the National Christian Council of India, and other ecumenical bodies.





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The Doya project is designed "to meet squarely and constructively the problem of the refugees from East Pakistan". Among proposals is the enlistment of specialists in land reclamation and agriculture. Other aspects of the proposed project are the establishment of university units to aid refugee students in Calcutta and a unit in the Dandakaranya area where many refugees have been resettled.

CWS also urged President Eisenhower to use his personal intervention in obtaining passage of refugee and immigration legislation by Congress. In a telegramme to the President, the Board called for decisive action for positive legislation to permit the entry and resettlement of refugees in the U.S.A. "Although the United States is co-sponsor of World Refugee Year, it has yet to complete the responsibilities involved," the telegramme said. EPS, Geneva

#### Methodist Teachers Denounce Study

(Madison, N.J.) - Faculty members of Drew University Theological School, a Methodist institution in Madison, N.J., have assailed as "humiliating" a denominational study advising retention of its present organizational structure (See EPS N° 5).

The strongly-worded four-page statement accuses the study recommendation of endorsing a status quo which is unjust and of failing to provide practical steps for integration.

The ten million-member Methodist Church is divided into six jurisdictions - five predominantly white geographical units and one overlapping all-Negro Central Jurisdiction.

"We are disappointed that its decisions are not explicitly informed by the claims of the Christian faith," it declares of the statement. "We are dissatisfied that recommendations of the commission do not at least include a call for the end of jurisdictional segregation by some reasonably proximate date.

"While the Church opposes segregation in principle, it practices it in its organization," it states. "The Church stands under divine judgement. In nothing else has the church more glaringly betrayed her Lord."

The faculty members said that in their opinion the study's recommendation stems from "a deeply pessimistic theology. There is no confession of sin because there is no evidence of real faith in the grace and power of our crucified and risen Lord. The unity of the church is defined in purely secular terms parallel with the unity of the nation and the 'spirit of compromise' is substituted for the ministry of reconciliation." EPS, Geneva

#### Universal Day of Prayer for Students

(Geneva) - Christians around the world will join with students in marking the Universal Day of Prayer for Students on February 21.

The Day will be observed in more than 70 countries by student Christian Movements related to the World's Student Christian Federation, which sponsors the Day. It has been observed under WSCF auspices since 1895.

A special Call to Prayer issued by the WSCF Officers observes that "students need our prayer as never before. In every country they are at the centre of intellectual turmoil and social revolution."

Further, it says, "students today live in an atmosphere of exaggerated



competition both for educational opportunity and for jobs when they graduate." It asks prayers not for only Christians, but for all students that they may be sustained through these difficulties and for their professors, school administrators and for student Christian movements.

EPS, Geneva

#### Church of England "Regrets" Move to Ordain Swedish Women

(London) - An official statement issued by the Church of England has expressed regret that the Church of Sweden, by its decision to ordain women ministers, has taken a step which might "introduce a cause of dispute" between the two churches. (See EPS N° 5)

The statement said that it has been made clear in private letters exchanged between the Archbishop of Canterbury and Archbishop Gunnar Hultgren, of Uppsala, primate of the Swedish Church, that the Church of England would not take any part in the controversy in Sweden.

"The ordination of women in the Church of England would be out of the question," the statement said, "and there would be general regret that a Church with which it has such long friendly relations should by taking this step introduce a cause of dispute." The statement was signed by John R. Satterthwaite, general secretary of the Church's Council on Inter-Church relations. EPS, Geneva

#### Catholic Bishops Plead for Trujillo Foes

(Ciudad Trujillo) - Six Roman Catholic Bishops of the Dominican Republic have intervened with General Rafael Leonidas Trujillo Molina, head of the country's regime, on behalf of the thousands of its citizens imprisoned as revolutionary plotters.

The action by the Bishops came amid reports of mass arrests of hundreds of citizens, following rumours of a plot to assassinate General Trujillo.

The Bishops declared their solidarity with "the many families" bereaved by the arrests in a joint pastoral letter read from the pulpits of all Roman Catholic churches at Sunday services.

They declared that Catholic Christianity must defend the rights of individuals including freedom of conscience, of press and of assembly, which, they said, come before the rights of any state. These rights do not exist under the 30-year Trujillo dictatorship.

News of the letter, a copy of which was smuggled out of the country, was immediately suppressed by General Trujillo, according to a story in the New York Times. The Times said the move indicated that the Roman Catholic Church was "at the point of breaking with the Trujillo regime." It said that only a few clergy had responded to the regime's overtures for religious support and that generally the clergy, like the majority of the population, has "kept aloof from politics."

EPS, Geneva

#### Union Plan Approved for North India and Pakistan

(Calcutta) - Another step has been taken towards formation of a united church in North India and Pakistan.

The General Council of the Church of India, Pakistan, Burma, and Ceylon (Anglican) has given approval to the revised Plan of Church Union under which the major Protestant and Anglican bodies of the two countries will be united in one church.



(The negotiations for Church Union, started several years ago, came to a halt last year when certain of the churches involved found unacceptable revisions recommended by the Conference of Anglican Bishops held at Lambeth England, in 1958. These differences were later resolved by a meeting of the Negotiating Committee held at Jabalpao, India, last December, and it is the plan revised by this Committee which has now been approved by the Anglican General Council.)

As envisioned, the new Church will include Anglicans, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists, Presbyterians and adherents of various smaller bodies.

The plan provides for the unification of the episcopate of the Anglican and Methodist Churches. In addition it provides that through the Act of the Unification of the Ministry, episcopal ordination will be bestowed upon those not previously so ordained (though it does not repeat any ordination previously received) in such a manner that after the Act of Unification all the ministers of the uniting churches will become part of a three-fold ministry of bishops, presbyters and deacons in the new church.

During the next two years the responsible bodies of other churches involved will have the plan under consideration. The next step in the Anglican Church will be submission of the Plan to its Diocesan Councils. A two-thirds vote in favour of the Plan is required by these Councils before the Anglican Church can be finally committed to enter the new church. In addition the leaders of other Anglican churches not in the area will be asked whether they would be prepared to enter into relations of full communion with the new church if the plan goes through.

EPS, Geneva

#### Belgian Churches Commend Congo Independence

(Charleroi) - The Federation of Belgian Protestant Churches has issued a statement commending the forthcoming independence of the Belgian Congo, as a step which "will confirm the sovereign freedom of the people of the Congo with full human rights."

The statement observed that Protestant missions have been at work in the Belgian Congo for nearly a century to train the Congolese peoples to be ready to take this step. It also expressed the hope that ties between the new nation and European countries would be strengthened. The statement was adopted at the Federation's recent annual meeting. The Federation is composed of the Methodist, Baptist, Reformed, Evangelical and Christian Missionary Churches. EPS, Geneva

#### Churches Urged To Learn More About USSR Christians

(Buenos Aires) - Leaders of major evangelical churches in Argentina have been urged to learn more about churches in the USSR and support them in taking their Christian stand in a Communist state.

"We must get to know about the life of these churches and their history", World Council of Churches general secretary, Dr. W.A. Visser 't Hooft told some one hundred participants in a consultation between local churchmen and WCC Executive members, now in Argentina for their semi-annual meeting, February 8-12.

"The ignorance in the Western world about Orthodoxy and the history of other churches in Russia is colossal", Dr. Visser 't Hooft declared.

Commenting on a visit of a five-member delegation to the churches in the USSR last December, the WCC executive said that he and the other delegation members had been "tremendously impressed by the real life we found in the Russian Orthodox Church, the Baptist, Lutheran and Armenian churches".



He emphasized that there was freedom of worship in the churches visited and said "we should praise God that after thirty-five years' persecution the Church of God is still there in Russia".

But Dr. Visser 't Hooft warned that from the point of view of the Soviet state the vitality of the Church is undesirable, and there is the possibility of new days of "testing" ahead for the churches in Russia.

"Therefore the pressure on the churches continues", he observed. "In the ecumenical movement in such a situation we all begin to feel that it is our fate that is at stake. It is the task of the World Council of Churches in these coming years to establish the closest possible relations with the churches in Russia".

However, Dr. Visser 't Hooft said, the Russian churches and the WCC were "not ready yet for the moment when they might apply to join the World Council".

With regard to its contacts with the Roman Catholic Church, the WCC leader emphasized that "the World Council has never had any official relations with that Church".

He said the Roman Catholic Church had made it "quite clear that it does not want to participate in our ecumenical movement, and probably many churches in the WCC would not want to cooperate in this way with the Roman Catholic Church".

But Dr. Visser 't Hooft pointed out that the Pope's call for an Ecumenical Council on Christian Unity had led to "a great uncertainty in the Roman Catholic Church about the best way to proceed".

He observed that "the Roman Catholic Church and its leaders now want a much greater role in ecumenical affairs, but don't know how to do it. They have lived all their long history in a state of monologue", he went on. "Now they see that churches in the world are entering into dialogue."

Dr. Visser 't Hooft acknowledged, however, that there has been "a tremendous upsurge of interest in the ecumenical movement within the Church of Rome. We cannot remain indifferent to it", he said, "especially in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany."

He indicated that there were "more thorough studies on the ecumenical movement by Roman Catholics than by Protestants, because of the number who spend much time on it."

Fifteen groups sent representatives from Argentine and Uruguay to the consultation: Disciples, French Reformed, United Lutherans, Waldensians, Mennonites, Methodists, German Speaking Evangelicals, German Speaking Congregationalists, The Salvation Army, Anglicans, Armenian Congregationalists, Scots Presbyterians, Seventh Day Adventists, the Mission to the Jews and the United Bible Societies.

EPS, Geneva

### In Brief

There has been an improvement in the facilities for publication of Protestant literature in East Germany, but the number of copies government authorities permit the churches to print is still inadequate, according to a report of the Conference of East German Churches. The report said the Conference is negotiating with government authorities to get permission to increase publication.

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The small (20,000 membership) Hungarian Baptist Church has announced it will make a contribution of \$100 to the new headquarters building of the World Council of Churches. (See EPS N°.4)



The Lutheran parishes of Helsinki, Finland, have started a new church newspaper which is being distributed free to more than 100,000 families every week. The publication is called "The Church and the City".

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Total membership of the Dutch Reformed Church of Transvaal and Natal is reported at 998,869 in new figures released last week. Of the total, white membership is reported at 678,792 members and 1,131,282 "adherents", an increase in the past two years of 15,091 members and 31,172 "adherents". Non-white members of the Dutch Reformed Mission Churches in the Union of South Africa, increased by 14,021 members for a total of 223,433 during the same period. The number of "adherents" went up by 47,750 to 634,919.

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Church construction in the United States is expected to exceed one billion dollars in 1960, the US Department of Commerce has predicted in its annual forecast. If so, it will be the largest amount ever spent on church building in a 12-month period. The current high was set in 1959 when church edifices costing \$935,000,000 were constructed. A billion dollars in the US is a thousand million dollars.

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The Ecumenical Council of Finland reports it has appointed an "Ecumenical Music Commission" to further understanding of the musical traditions of its two national churches. These are the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland, which represents about 95 per cent of the population and has a Western church music history and the Orthodox Church of Finland with about 1.8 per cent which has an Eastern church musical tradition.

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A new building, which will serve as the centre for an expanding ministry among New York City's Puerto Rican population has been purchased by the Disciples of Christ (US). To be known as La Hermosa Centre, it will house the denomination's present congregation of 350 persons presently meeting in a "store front" church, and an auditorium, social hall, classrooms and offices. The centre will cost an estimated \$50,000. In addition the denomination also has plans to raise another \$100,000 for other churches in the Puerto Rican community. There are 110,000 Puerto Ricans living within a mile of the centre and more than a million in the city.

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Dr. Norman A. Menter of Berkley, Mich., has been elected to his second one-year term as president of the National Lutheran Council (US). Dr. Menter is first vice president of the American Lutheran Church and president of its Michigan District.

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A study of the relations between the Christian Church and the Jewish people is being made by the Protestant study centre located at Villemétrie, France. The group is composed of Protestants, Roman Catholics and Jews who have been converted to Christianity.

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In Denmark a Committee appointed by the Ministry of Education to draw up a new curriculum has suggested cutting down religious instruction by 25% in the first eight classes in schools. The proposal is being opposed by church circles as "a further step in the de-Christianisation of our people."

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In Sweden the draft for a new party-programme of the Social Democratic Party for the first time has dropped its demand for the separation of Church and State. The draft programme, which is to be presented to the Party Congress this summer, merely asks that "the relation between Church and State be settled in accordance with the principle of religious freedom." "Svensk Veckotidning" (the weekly paper of the Swedish Missionary Association), interprets the change as due as much to political and tactical considerations as to a basic change in the Party's attitude to the Church.

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The Danish Episcopal Conference has decided against making attendance at church services compulsory for candidates for Confirmation. It stressed the desirability of such regular attendance, however, and approved the pastors' insistence on it.

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Bibles are among the objects frequently smuggled into the Soviet Union, reports "Die Saat", an Austrian church paper. Despite repeated protests from the Soviet Government, Bibles have been smuggled in from Poland and sold for 500 to 800 roubles. The price corresponds to the average monthly salary of an unskilled labourer.

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In 1960 the Protestant and Catholic Churches of Hungary will continue to receive full state subsidies. These subsidies were to have been reduced by 50% last year, and then cut each year until they were stopped in 1969 in accordance with an agreement made in 1948.

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The Synod of the Reformed Churches in Algeria has approved the establishment of a Protestant study centre, which will concentrate on the question of Islam. The Synod appealed to the churches to realise that they had a special task of evangelism because of their situation in a Moslem society.

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A conference on The Architect and The Church will be held March 4-5 in London, under auspices of Christian Teamwork, an organization of church leaders and architects. The conference follows that held on the same subject in May, 1959, under sponsorship of the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Institute and Department of Information.

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Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, who retired two years ago as Bishop of the Methodist Church in Missouri, has been called back to active service again to serve temporarily as Bishop of Nebraska, to fill the vacancy left by the recent death of the incumbent. Bishop Holt was the first president of the World Methodist Council, a president of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ (US) and is a former member of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches.



ECUMENICAL CALENDAR 1960

February 16	Graduate School of Ecumenical Studies, end of 8th session	Bossey
February 21	Universal Day of Prayer for Students, sponsored by World Student Christian Federation	
February 22 - 24	World Alliance of YMCA, President's Committee Geneva	
February 26 - 29	Ecumenical Institute/WCC Department of Faith and Order, Consultation on Prayer for Christian Unity	Bossey
March 4	World Day of Prayer	
March 8 - 10	WCC, Youth Department, Preparatory Committee for the Ecumenical Youth Assembly in Europe	Geneva
March 9 - 10	WCC and WCCE Youth Departments, World Youth Projects Committee Annual Meeting	New York
March 10 - 12	WCC, Youth Department, European Working Group	Crêt-Bérard, Switzerland
March 18 - 21	Ecumenical Institute, Consultation on the Basis of Political Decision	Bossey
March 20 - 25	Lutheran World Federation, Executive Committee	Porto Alegre, Brazil
March 21 - 25	WCC, Faith and Order, Lutheran-Reformed Consultation	Alsace
March 26 - 27	LWF, Committee on Latin America	Porto Alegre
March 31 - April 1	WCC, DICASR Structure and Policy Committee	Geneva
April 1 - 5	WCC, DICASR Enlarged Committee on "World Need"	Geneva
April 1 - 7	World YWCA, Seminar in connection with the meeting of the UN-Commission on the Status of Women	Buenos Aires
April 3 - 9	Ecumenical Institute, Orthodox Seminar	Bossey
April 4 - 13	World Alliance of YMCA, Consultation on YMCA work with Armed Forces	Mainau, Germany
April 7	WCC, DICASR Administrative Committee	Geneva
April 16	WCC, DICASR Refugee Sub-Committee	Geneva
April 19 - 22	Lausanne Youth Assembly Leaders Meeting	Bossey
April 19 - 26	WCC, Youth Department, Work Camp Leaders Course	Hong Kong
April 23 - 28	WCC, Faith and Order, Theological Commission on Worship (European Section)	Taizé, France
April 25 - 29	WCCESSA, European Conference	Boldern-Mändedorf, Switzerland
April 25 - May 5	WCC, Youth Department, Berlin Conference	Berlin
April 27 - 29	Annual Meeting, US Conference for WCC	Buck Hill Falls



April 29 - May 13	World YWCA, Executive Committee	Bossey
End April	Presbyterian World Alliance, European Area Administrative Committee	Not Decided
May 12 - 17	UBS, Regional Conference for Latin European Countries	Grenoble
May 13 - 15	Ecumenical Institute, Weekend for Industrialists	Bossey
May 18 - 20	WCC, Youth Department, World Christian Youth Commission	Bossey
May 18 - 24	WCC, Youth Department, Work Camp Leaders Conference	Bossey
May 23 - 30	Brethren Service Commission, European Annual Conference	Agape, Italy
May 25 - 31	WSCF, Third European Student Pastors' Conference	Bossey
June 3	John Knox House Annual Conference	Geneva
June 6 - 11	Ecumenical Institute/Department on Church and Society, Consultation on Grace and Decision in a Dynamic Society	Bossey
June 7 - August 27	World YWCA, Trainee Programme	Geneva
June 14 - 28	Ecumenical Institute, Course for Pastors	Bossey
June 17 - 21	WCC, Faith and Order, Theological Commission on Christ and the Church (American Section)	New Haven, Conn.
June 23 - July 2	World Alliance of YMCA, Consultation on YMCA programme strategy and membership policies	Mainau
June 30 - July 3	WCC, Youth Department, American Work Campers Orientation	Bossey
June 30 - July 9	WCC, Preparatory Commission for general theme of the Third Assembly	Bossey
July	Pan-Orthodox meeting	Rhodes
July 1 - 3	Christian Endeavour Citizenship Convocation	Ottawa
July 5 - 8	46th International Christian Endeavour Convention	Chicago
July 6 - 11	Ecumenical Institute/Division of Studies, Consultation for Evangelists	Bossey
July 7 - 14	World YWCA, Seminar on the International Responsibility of the YWCA	Geneva
July 10 - 12	WCC, Youth Department, Orientation for North American Participants to the Lausanne European Youth Assembly	Lausanne
July 13 - 23	Ecumenical Institute, Course for Laymen	Bossey
July 13 - 24	Ecumenical Youth Assembly in Europe	Lausanne
July 14 - 19	WCC, Conference on Inter-Church Aid Promotion	Geneva
July 15 - 31	WSCF, World Teaching Conference on the Life and Mission of the Church	Strasbourg



July 21 - 27	WCC, DICASR Annual Consultation	Berlin
July 25 - August 12	Ecumenical Institute, Course for Theological Students	Bossey
July 27 - August 2	WCC, Consultation of the Department on Cooperation of Men and Women in Church and Society	High Wycombe, Bucks, England
July 27 - August 3	WCC, Faith and Order Commission on Christ and the Church (European Section)	St. John's College, Durham, Engl.
July 28 - August 3	WCC, Faith and Order Study Consultation on Institutionalism	" "
July 29 - August 2	WCCESSA, Board of Managers	Berlin-Spandau
August 1 - 2	World Alliance of YMCA/YWCA Conference of student Leaders	Strasbourg
August 1 - 5	LWF, Commission on World Service	Berlin
August 2 - 3	WCC, Commission on Religious Liberty	St. Andrews
August 2 - 3	WCC, Committee of the Division of Studies	St. Andrews
August 2 - 6	WCC-IMC Planning Committee of the Joint Committee	St. Andrews
August 3 - 4	WCC/DICASR Structure and Policy	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC/WCCESSA Youth Committee	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Cooperation of Men and Women, Working Committee	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Faith and Order, Meeting of Full Commission	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Department on Church and Society, Working Committee	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Department on Evangelism, Working Committee	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Department on the Laity, Working Committee	" "
August 3 - 8	WCC, Board of the Ecumenical Institute	" "
August 3 - 8	IMC, Ad Hoc Committee	" "
August 3 - 13	World Alliance of YMCA, World Youth Conference	Amsterdam
August 4 - 6	WCC/IMC, Department on Missionary Studies, Working Committee	St. Andrews
August 4 - 8	WCC, CCIA Executive Committee	" "
August 5	WCC/DICASR Refugee Sub-Committee	" "
August 6 - 8	WCC, DICASR Administrative Committee	" "
August 8 - 13	LWF, Second Lutheran Research Congress	Münster, Germany
August 8 - 13	Presbyterian World Alliance, Executive Committee	Geneva



August 9 - 10	WCC, Faith and Order Consultation on Church Negotiations	St. Andrews
August 9 - 11	WCC, Third Assembly Preparatory Commissions	" "
August 9 - 11	WCC/IMC, Joint Committee	" "
August 10 - 23	WSCF, General Committee	Greece
August 11 - 13	WCC, Information Department, Working Committee	St. Andrews
August 12 - 13	WCC, Division of Ecumenical Action Committee	" "
August 12 - 13	IMC, Administrative Committee	" "
August 14	Commemorative Service, Edinburgh Missionary Conference	" "
August 15	WCC, Executive Committee	" "
August 15 - 18	World Alliance of YMCA's, Standing Committees of the World Council	Geneva
August 15 - 22	LWF, Commission on Theology	Osnabrück
August 16 - 24	WCC, Central Committee	St. Andrews
August 17 - 20	Pacific Area Conference of the World's Christian Endeavour Union	Mexico City
August 19 - 24	World Alliance of YMCA's, Executive Committee	Geneva
August 25 - 26	Meeting of National Council Secretaries	St. Andrews
August 28 - September 2	LWF, Commission on World Mission	Bukoba, Tanganyika
September 1 - 6	Ecumenical Institute, Conference of Scientists	Bossey
September 3 - 6	WCC, Faith and Order, Theological Commission on Tradition and Traditions	Not decided
September 5 - 9	WCC, Faith and Order, Theological Commission on Worship (North America)	Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
September 8 - 13	Ecumenical Institute, Consultation for those who teach ecumenics in theological training institutions	Bossey
September 8 - 16	World Alliance of YMCA's, Consultation on technical education and Christian leadership	Mainau
September 8 - 18	Second All-African Lutheran Conference	Antsirabe, Madagascar
September 12 - 14	World Alliance of YMCA's, World Consultation on health and physical education	Rome
September ??	UBS, Sub-Committee on Translation	New York
October 1 - February 15	9th session of the Graduate School of Ecumenical Studies	Bossey
October 2	"World-Wide Communion Sunday"	
October 3 - 8	Conference of European Churches	Nyborg, Denmark



October 8 - 10	Presbyterian World Alliance, European Theological Commission	Zürich
October 16 - 18	WCC, Youth Department, Annual European Work Camps Consultation	Seengen, Switzerland
October 23	World Order Sunday	
October 18 - 25	WCC, Youth Department, Annual Consultation of Ecumenical Youth Secretaries in Europe	Seengen, Switzerland
October 21 - 26	International Convention Assembly of Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), USA.	Louisville, Kentucky
October 30	Reformation Sunday	
October 31 - November 1	WCC/DICASR Administrative Committee	New York
November 3	Advisory Committee for US Conference of WCC	New York
November 13 - 19	YMCA/YWCA World Week of Prayer and World Fellowship	

No meetings have been announced for December.

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#### Key To Abbreviations

DICASR	Division of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees (WCC)
IMC	International Missionary Council
LWF	Lutheran World Federation
UBS	United Bible Societies
WCC	World Council of Churches
WCCE	World Council of Christian Education
WCCESSA	World Council of Christian Education and Sunday School Association
WSCF	World's Student Christian Federation

